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REPLY TO THE ATTENTION OF.

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Henry Henderson, Commissioner City of Chicago Department of the Environmental Central Office Building, Room 600A 320 North Clark Street Chicago, IL 60610

Dear Environmental Commissioner Henderson:

RE: Request for Identification of ARARs for the former International Harvester Company Site Removal Action in Chicago, Cook County, Illinois .

This Agency is proceeding to undertake a time-critical removal action at the referenced site within the ensuing sixty (60) days. The removal action may include on-site treatment of extremely concentrated levels polynuclear aromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs) contained in soils located within this site, bulking for subsequent off-site transport and disposal of compatible volatile organic compounds (VOCs) in liquids and sludges, and the cleanup and removal of asbestos containing materials (ACM) found in previously identified contaminated locations through this 21 acre site area, and in areas where excessive hazardous materials release or threat of release can be identified around the site.

The removal will also consist addressing personal injury hazards from open manholes, access control improvements, and it will include decontamination of facilities such as tanks, structures, storage vessels, treatment units, and associated appurtenances. Where it is determined that on-site treatment of the PAH contaminants is not environmentally, technologically or economically feasible, these hazardous substances may be removed to off-site treatment facilities for ultimate disposal.

This letter is being sent to request that your Environmental Department and any of the City of Chicago's associated agencies or departments with interest in this matter identify all applicable or relevant and appropriate requirements (ARARs) for the former International Harvester Site removal action. Any City of Chicago ARARs identified in a timely manner will be complied with to the extent practicable.

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If you have any questions prior to preparing your response to this matter, please contact me at telephone number 312/353-7615 or via FAX number 312/353-9176.

Very truly yours

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